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In re Application of:

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SYSTEM AND METHOD OF TRANSMITTING AND ACCESSING DIGITAL IMAGES OVER A COMMUNICATION NETWORK

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Amendment

In response to the office action mailed March 23, 2004, please amend the above-identified application, without prejudice, as set forth below:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 9 of this paper.